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Today's Roundup

By MALCOLM EPLEY Klamath people gave thanks today for the dial telephone system that has been operating here since 1940. Up to now, it was an added convenience; today, it made the difference between telephone communication and no telephone communication.

Only a mechanical breakdown of the dial system will stop local telephone communication, it was indicated today, and the probability of a breakdown appeared highly remote. Let's hope that no one out South Sixth street digs any holes for a few days. A blade in the ground out there seems certain to cut a telephone cable.

Conscientious

AFTER an 83-day record session, the Oregon legislature has adjourned. At the moment, the 1947 session is on the butt end of bitter criticism. One paper has called it the "crime of 1947." It was, in many ways, a confused and aimless affair; it reached what important conclusions came out of it by devious routes and much mulling around.

Flower Raids

FLOWER thieves are busy again, and some of our ambitious gardeners are getting pretty discouraged. Take the case of Mrs. H. L. Fuson, of 505 North Ninth street. Mrs. Fuson recently moved to the North Ninth street residence, which is on a main highway and well-traveled sidewalk. She thought it would be especially worth while, in view of the heavy travel past her door, to make her yard as attractive as possible.

Spring Vacation Ends Today

City and county schools resumed classwork this morning as thousands of youngsters returned to their books after a week's vacation which included Easter.

By PAUL MALLON WASHINGTON, April 7—A new liberal movement has come out of three months organization work and two days of policy sessions (250 attended) here. President of this "Americans for democratic action" is Wilson Wyatt, let go by President Truman as houser, Chairman is Leon Henderson, let go by the president as OPA price fixer. Vice chairman is Franklin D. Roosevelt Jr., who never got anywhere to be let go from.

To answer the yearnings of world millions of people, these leaders, who are now to let themselves go into concerted promotional action, set forth a formula which read: "Our program is directed toward this one goal: A society in which each individual enjoys the highest degree of personal liberty compatible with liberty, justice and economic security for his fellows."

What Does It Mean?

READ that over again! What does it mean? It might mean republicanism because they seem to be angry at Mr. Truman. Yet that is highly doubtful because they do not specify they are for this government as is. It might mean democracy (not democracy) because young Mr. Roosevelt says it is against the way this republican congress has been going. It might mean both, as he also suggested they would support more democrats than republicans. But it could not be both because this group proposes an independent action movement. Under its own definition, it could be communistic because the Russian dictatorship believes only in as much freedom for the individual as is compatible with the freedom of other citizens, meaning none at all.

But this action movement also denounces fascism so it cannot mean that. Actually it could mean slavery of nearly any kind. Slavery has been maintained in varying degrees on the principle generally that it was not only compatible with, but absolutely necessary for the freedom, justice and security of the enslavers.

A proper explanation of the movement probably is that it is entirely disillusioned ideologically and does not know what freedom is. This is plausible as its leaders are officials let go because their theories did not work satisfactorily, and they in turn are part of a larger new deal group which attempted to appease an unwilling world into oneness. Now that their ideas have proved unworkable, they wish still to be politicians but cannot find an issue which might be made popular, and really have vague and confused ideas about liberty and liberation.

Confusion

THEIR confusion about personal liberty sounds as foolish as a character impersonating Jefferson in a movie last week who said: "Ah, what I want is freedom to stand up and tell any man you are as good as he is." Liberty actually means the right to laugh at such a definition of freedom. What he said simply was not true. You are not necessarily as good as another man. You are more apt to be worse or better, in any given line. Few people actually are born equal. All the constitution means is that people are born equal before the law, that justice shall be equally dispensed, not by warfare of class against class—or that "I am as good as you." Jefferson wrote a basic law, not a treatise on psychology or religion. He really only said: I have the legal right to be "as good as you!"

At Sacred Heart academy, students were having one more day away from school chores but are scheduled to return Tuesday morning. A check by Superintendent Arnold Gralapp's office showed a normal attendance Monday morning, a total of 2084, in the elementary buildings. Enrollment is 2110. Attendance by schools: Conger, 127; Fairview, 255; Fremont, 209; Junior high, 199; Mills, 804; Pelican, 212; Riverside, 178; Roosevelt, 301.



Just tell your mother we aren't buying concert tickets this year—since Junior started taking lessons on the flute, that's all the music we need!

The World Today

By DEWITT MacKENZIE AP Foreign Affairs Analyst

General Charles de Gaulle, who recently has been showing marked signs of hitting the return-trail for the political leadership of France, yesterday made a pronouncement of solidarity with America in terms which will be widely interpreted as subscribing to President Truman's policy of aiding countries whose independence is threatened by communistic aggression.

If that's what the general has in mind, it's a highly important development. It would mean that he is throwing down the gauntlet to the French communists who are straining every nerve to take over the government of France and are his chief opposition. His strength lies in the powerful middle-of-the-road popular republican movement—which polls about the same number of votes as the communists—and in the more conservative groups.

General de Gaulle made this declaration at Strasbourg in the course of a speech paying tribute to American soldiers who died to help liberate his country. It is interesting that the night before President Truman reaffirmed his foreign policy in his Jefferson Day address. Without naming any country or ism, Mr. Truman said of this liking subject: "We, like Jefferson, have witnessed atrocious violations of the rights of nations. . . . We have secretly by infiltration. We must make that protest effective by aiding those peoples whose freedoms are endangered by foreign pressure. . . . We know how the fire starts. We have seen it before—aggression by the strong against the weak, openly by the use of armed force and secretly by infiltration."

Our responsibility is to stand guard before the edifice of lasting peace which, after so long a time, is at last being built. That edifice is the United Nations. . . . By aiding free nations to maintain their freedom and secretly by infiltration. We must make that protest effective by aiding those peoples whose freedoms are endangered by foreign pressure. . . . We know how the fire starts. We have seen it before—aggression by the strong against the weak, openly by the use of armed force and secretly by infiltration."

Lined Up With Us Yesterday De Gaulle declared his country would stand beside the United States against any new tyranny. "It is a fact," he said, "that this young nation (the United States) like our elderly country, has shown not only love for its own liberty but, still more, a respect for that of others. . . . It is a fact that each time in the world that justice finds herself assaulted, a loud alarm at once awakens the French and American consciences. Our two democracies have always found the same and powerful inspiration when they have had to defend threatened liberties."

Now of course De Gaulle may not have been responding to President Truman's Washington address. However, there is no mistaking the Frenchman's pledge to stand with America against any new tyranny. There is nothing equivocal about that statement, and he has had plenty of time to absorb the world-rocking Washington policy regarding aggressive communism. No Official Position De Gaulle has no official position now. He created a sensation and threw France into political confusion when he resigned the presidency on January 20, 1946, because the communists and other leftists defeated his plan for a constitution which would provide for a strong executive. The opposition wanted a weak president and a strong assembly. Since then De Gaulle has.

Achilles-like, clung pretty close to his tent. However, the signs are that he once more is ready to give battle. If this is so, it will be a bitter conflict in which communism is bound to become the main issue. If France should go communistic it would give Moscow one of the most formidable bases on the European continent—in the world, for that matter.

Japs Back Mac In Elections

TOKYO, April 7 (AP)—A strong vote of confidence for General MacArthur had a distinct reprimand to left wing labor leaders appeared evident today in the unexpectedly convincing conservative victory for Governorship of Tokyo prefecture. Still incomplete returns from Saturday's election gave the conservative incumbent a margin of more than 88,000 votes over his socialist rival in what had been expected to be a tight race. In 1946, left and right were separated by only 5000 votes.

In effect, the Japanese voters appeared to be endorsing MacArthur's action in halting the proposed general strike which left wing labor groups had scheduled for February—partly as a test of strength with the allied commander himself. Throughout Japan, voters snubbed the communists, encouraged the socialists and obediently supported strong local conservative political machines.

The socialists picked up 2,000,000 new voters to register 24 per cent of ballots cast in the race for 46 governorships.

Council To Talk Airport Equipment

The city's long negotiations with the war assets administration regarding equipment and buildings at the municipal airport will near an end tonight when city councilmen act on a resolution authorizing Mayor Ed Ostendorf to sign papers closing the city's side of the deal. When the papers are signed they will be sent to the Portland office of WAA and then to Washington for final approval. When approval is made a list of the exact properties to be given to the city will be announced.

Fire Station To Be Discussed

The long-considered project of erecting a fire station in the Mills addition area will come up again at the first meeting of the city budget committee this year, slated for 4 p. m., Tuesday. Mayor Ed Ostendorf said today that members will discuss an election to vote a levy for support of the plan. Various phases of the city's business for the coming year will be taken up preparatory to the actual forming of the budget. The 1947-48 budget must be approved by the city council by June 15 in order to go into effect on July 1, beginning of the fiscal year.

Leaves Hospital—LeRoy Warden, 14-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. William Warden of the homojia housing unit, was able to leave Klamath Valley hospital after major surgery.

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(Continued from Page One) lands served by reservoirs have good prospects, the annual water forecast meeting today indicated.

Localized snowfall a month ago plus rain and snow in the mountains this week boosted reservoir levels so lands served by them have an adequate supply. John Hansson, superintendent of the Goose Lake Users' association reported.

Drews reservoir had 35,000 acre feet April 1 and will add another 10,000. Cottonwood reservoir will fill to its capacity of 4160 acre feet, which is a limited supply for the 10,000 acres it serves, and Thompson valley reservoir above Silver Lake has only its holdover supply of 8150 acre feet and will get little more as all snow is gone from its watershed.

Deficient water supplies were forecast for lands served by Chewacum river north of here and Deep creek in Warner valley to the east with flow of 48 and 48 per cent of normal expected, barring heavy late rains.

The Hart mountain area is exceptionally dry and high desert grazing areas in the north and eastern parts of the county already have dry water-holes, hampering lambing operations. Condition of foothill ranges was reported the best in years.

Telling The Editor

Letters printed here must not be more than 500 words in length, must be written legibly on ONE SIDE of the paper only and must be signed. Contributions following these rules are warmly welcomed.

HOW ABOUT IT? KLAMATH FALLS, Ore. (To The Editor)—I believe there's an old, old saying to the effect that no man can change or modify the weather, when the barometer starts to nose dive. But—what I would like to know is: When does spring show up in these parts? Do we have any pussy-willow signs for instance? Or: do we just sit back with our feet propped up before a comfortable fireplace and gaze at the calendar? Seems to me she's a bit off schedule over here at this time of year. How about it? Could be, I'm wrong.

JAMES WATKINS. Editor's Note—There's an old saying that spring comes when the snow gets out of the mountains and the snow gets out of the mountains when spring comes.

Court Probes Land Seizure

WASHINGTON, April 7 (AP)—The supreme court today agreed to review a California supreme court decision approving state seizure of two tracts of agricultural land in San Diego county which had been purchased by Japanese citizens. The state contended the Japanese purchasers, Keiro Oyama and his wife, Kohide Oyama, violated the California alien land law which prohibits ownership of land by aliens who are ineligible to citizenship. The couple took title to the land in the name of their son Fred, who was born in California in 1928. The San Diego superior court found that the land transactions were subterfuges and frauds on the state, done to avoid evasion to the state.

The California supreme court affirmed the findings and ruled further that the son, an American, was denied no constitutional guarantees because the echeant was brought about by acts of the alien father. The father and son appealed this decision to the high tribunal.

Highway Plunge Fatal To Girl

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 7 (AP)—Betty Lou Bradford, 17, Portland, Ore., was killed yesterday in the plunge of an automobile from the Evergreen highway a quarter-mile east of Lyle, Wash.

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Circle Route Trips Made

FAIRFIELD, Calif., April 7 (AP)—Trusting in bad weather landing aids, the army's air transport command is flying survey missions over the great circle route to Tokyo, via Anchorage and Adak, prior to regularly scheduled operations designed to save 23 hours flying time for the round trip. Central Pacific operations will not be abandoned, ATC said, but will be curtailed as more planes are transferred to the great circle route. Brig. Gen. Archie J. Old Jr. returned yesterday from piloting a C-54 to Tokyo and return via the Aleutians and announced he was highly optimistic about the northern swing, shorter by 2300 miles on the ground trip.

Lionmen Held On Murder Count

DAR ES SALAAM, Tanganyika, April 7 (AP)—Twenty-six tribesmen have been arrested by colonial police in connection with more than 40 killings attributed to "lionmen," who dress in lion skins and prow the villages of this East African country. Police said investigations indicated that witchcraft and rivalry between witch doctors might have been the underlying cause of the slayings.

Ostendorf Named Festival Director

Mayor Ed Ostendorf received word today that he has been elected an honorary director of the Shakespearean Festival association of Ashland, Discontinued for a number of years the festival will be presented this year on August 8. Gov. Earl Snell is honorary president of the association and has indicated that he will attend the pageant.

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Radio Show Pays Off

David Michaels, 740 California avenue, came home a puppy richer than when he went to Portland on spring vacation last week. David and his sister Carol were attending an audience participation show at the Orpheum theatre, sponsored by radio station KALE. They were with their mother, Mrs. Ray Michaels. The program, "Take the Air," had a bubble gum chewing stunt and when David was called on the stage he was presented with a pedigreed wire haired terrier as a birthday gift and much to David's surprise he did not have to enter the contest. He was nine years old on the day of the program, March 31. Sister Carol did enter the contest, however, and won herself a nice, crisp \$3 bill. Next day, Mrs. Michaels attended one of the programs and was presented with an orchid, her first. The four, Mrs. Michaels, Carol, David and the pup, returned home Sunday night. The terrier has been named "Kale" after the station.

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Nailed Hands

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BORN AGAIN—The Portland businessman could not tell how it was done. "All I know is that I became a new man." He had received Christ as having died for his sins and God gave him a new life. He was born again with new hope and power to go thru the day.

SUM IT UP—God put your sins on Christ, His Son, and Christ died under them and paid the penalty for you. That clears you. Now stand on it that you are cleared and God puts Christ's holy life on your page and Himself into your heart. So you are set for glory. Trust in Jesus and be saved.

Dr. Taylor S. W. McChesney Rd., Portland, 1, Ore. This space paid for by a Portland family.

RADIO PROGRAMS

Table with columns for MONDAY EVE., APRIL 7 and TUESDAY A. M., APRIL 8. Lists radio stations and programs such as KFLW-1450 kc., KFMJ-1240 kc., and various news and entertainment shows.

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